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- 1. EMBASSY OFFICERS APRIL 17 CALLED ON BOSIKOV, MFA
  CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION, TO PRESS FURTHER FOR RESOLUTION
  LENINGRAD AIRPORT AND TRAIN POUCH PROBLEMS. ON AIRPORT
  SITUATION (REF D) BOSIKOV SEEMED INITIALLY UNDER IMPRESSION
  THAT AIRPORT HAD AGREED ARRANGE ADEQUATE TRANSPORT THROUGH
  CHIEF OF OPERATIONS (SMENYI NACHALNIK). EMBOFFS CONVEYED
  SUBSTANCE PARA 7 REF D, ASSERTING THAT IT MUST BE POSSIBLE
  TO ARRANGED CLOSED VEHICLE. BOSIKOV PROMISED TO TAKE
  MATTER UP AGAIN.
- 2. ON TRAIN POUCH BOSIKOV STATED RAILROAD AUTHORITIES COULD NOT ACCEPT MATERIAL DOCUMENTED AS DIPLOMATIC MAIL, SINCE THEY UNABLE GIVE IT PROTECTION IMPLICIT IN SUCH DESCRIPTION. WE WILL PURSUE DOCUMENTATON ASPECT FURTHER, BUT IN CONTEXT PRESENT NON-PROFFESSIONAL COURIER OPERATION, QUESTION MAY BE MOOT SINCE WE UNDERSTAND INFORMALLY FROM MOSCOW RAIL STATION THAT SCHEDULE CHANGE, POSSIBLY EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, MAY RESULT IN MOSCOW-HELSINKI EXPRESS BY-PASSING LENINGRAD WITH NEAREST STOP AT ZELENOGORSKAYA STATION FOR ONLY CONFIDENTIAL

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